

THE BROKEN TOWEL.

When I think of the towel,
The old-fashioned towel,
That used to hang up near the printing-house door,
I can think of nobody
In those days of shoddy
That could hammer out iron to wear as it wore.

The "devil" who used it,
The tramp who abused it,
The "comp" who got at it when these two were gone,
The make-up and foreman,
The editor (poor man),
Each rubbed a heap off, while they put a heap on.

In over and under,
It was blacker than thunder,
Harder than poverty, rougher than sin,
On the roller suspended,
It never was bended,
And flapped on the wall like a banner of tin.

It grew harder and rougher,
And blacker and tougher,
And daily took on a more inkier hue,
Until one winter morning,
Without any warning,
It fell on the floor and was broken in two.

New York Sun.

BRANDENBURG.

Local and County News From Our News Correspondent.

Mrs. P. T. Noel is able to sit up.

Mrs. Bettie Clarkson will be well and able to be out.

Miss Sue Owings has returned from a visit to Wolf Creek.

Pete Fontaine is here to see his mother who is still quite ill.

The Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. George Worland last Monday.

Mrs. Chas. Moreman, of Evansville, is visiting Mrs. C. G. Moreman.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox Rhodes have returned from a visit to Texas.

Jonnie Datto, the popular hat man, is in looking well and happy.

Mr. H. H. Breashear, of Owensboro, is visiting his mother, Mrs. A. Wimp.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Harnden were in town last week at Mrs. J. W. Lewis'.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Duncan went to Cloverport last Saturday for a little trip.

Miss Maydee Pusey left Monday for an extended trip to Lebanon and Paris, Ky.

We are so glad Bro. Duval is well and back. He preached last Sunday morning.

The best joy in life comes from work well done—work done with head and hands.

Bro. Morrison is here to see his family after quite an absence. He has been quite sick.

Mrs. LAMAR Herndon, of Louisville, paid a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Yeakey last week.

Mrs. Robt. Smith, of Wolf Creek, was here last week to see her aunt, Mrs. Stuart Owens.

Mrs. J. W. Lewis has been quite indisposed for some time. At this writing she is somewhat improved.

Mrs. Jesse Malin, of Vine Grove, is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lewis.

The choir did some fine singing last Sunday night, augmented by J. T. Dittie, Jr., and J. M. Richardson.

Mrs. Dr. Pusey accompanied Miss Maydee as far as Louisville Monday morning on the cannon-ball.

Miss Linné Moreman and Miss Annie Broadhurst gave a small, informal evening for their guests last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Richardson gave a delightful reception last Thursday evening for their guests, Miss Nettie Schenck.

Mrs. Jane Smith returned to Dallas, Texas, with Mr. R. H. McVie to spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. Nevitt.

Mrs. C. G. Moreman chaperoned a very pleasant party of young people to a dance at "Camp Herndon" last Saturday night.

A number of very affable people from Louisville are registered at the Cannon Ball. They are connected with the lithograph plant.

Brother Duval gave away last Sunday. He and his congregation came to hear Brother Overton preach one of his best sermons.

I am so obliged for that kind invitation to sit in the "Ames corner" at the Institute but I'll not do it for old people are not to be included in it.

The quarterly services at the Methodist church last Saturday and Sunday were interesting. Bro. Overton always preaches sweet, comforting sermons.

Miss Helen Pollock left for London last Sunday, after a pleasant visit to Mrs. Owens. Miss Pollock is a most agreeable young lady and a very bright one.

Mrs. Josephine Henry who spoke for Bro. Owens last has offered to take the stamp for Bro. Brown and his ticket.

I wonder if she has a husband or children?

We are glad to know Mr. Astor can never become even a Lord, as

editors are constantly working to make the News a first-class weekly and they are doing every time. Now is the moment for its subscribers to lend a helping hand to add to its laurels. Let each one respond cheerfully to the call.

Father Whalen had mass last Sunday morning, but did not preach, having driven quite a distance to reach here, he was fatigued. A new priest will take charge of this church, as Father Whalen's duties elsewhere forbid his remaining. We all (at other denominations) desire to give this kind man and good minister up, as well as his own.

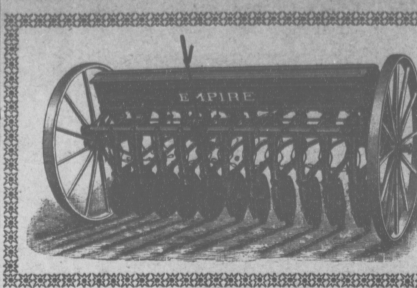
I pity any one in this world who is tied down, pinned to a task that is repugnant and feels that necessity is continually whispering in the ears, "Do this, go ahead, or starve." If one does not love his calling or profession it starves the heart, the soul, and finally all the higher aspirations of the being pine away and die. One's chosen duties in life should be a peace and a solace to every normal man and woman.

I notice in the Louisville Times of a recent issue that Mr. Lamar Herndon is made to say that three hundred people were here on the first Monday in August, County Court day and that not one anti-Goebel man could be found. I was on the street, about noon, and there were not fifty men in town or my eyes deceived me. I know of a number of Democrats here and in the county who will not support Goebel.

We all have three natures: physical, mental and spiritual. So to work certain number of hours in the day with one's hands is the part of wisdom, but we must as well exercise the mental and spiritual natures. To labor continually at our work day and night means unrest and rule to overtaxed nerves a breaking down of all the machinery of the natural laws. If we become so absorbed in our particular line of work as to forget to cultivate our emotional and spiritual demands we lose much of the meaning and beauty of existence. To cultivate a love for music, for reading, for the beautiful is as essential as food and drink.

Hand made work is far more beautiful than machine, more delicate, the brain is more interested in exquisite productions by the fingers. Once the Queen of Italy went of a letter to every reigning Queen of Europe asking that the recipient make a promise to wear on her clothing no lace except hand-made. Every one responded and Queen Victoria was one of the first to answer the appeal. Schools were established where girls were taught to make beautiful things with their hands. The Queen of Italy herself established an exchange for the sale of the beautiful lace made by poor girls found a ready sale for their work. Mr. Browning followed the Queen's example and endowed a manufactory for the loving, honest, and useful work of the poor.

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STEPHENSPO

Mrs. M. Blain has returned from Cincinnati.

Floyd Miller, of Henderson, was in town Sunday.

Miss Edna Biggs returned from Troy, Ind., last week.

Mrs. Nellie Blain went to Tampa Saturday for several days.

Theodore Mosely, of Louisville, spent Sunday with his parents.

Forest Blain went to Louisville last week, where he has a position.

Mrs. E. H. Miller and Mrs. L. Paulman, were in Cloverport last week.

Tom Wright and Mrs. George Drimel, of Hawesville, spent Sunday here.

Mrs. Joe Smith and Miss Grace McCoy, of Louisville, were in town a day last week.

Mrs. J. A. Boyd, of Henderson, spent several days last week with Mrs. F. C. Ferry.

Miss Paul Perring, of Cloverport, who has been visiting relatives here, returned home Sunday.

Misses Cecil Raleigh and Leet of Louisville, who have been spending several weeks at the "Smith Home," will return home this week.

Regular services were held in the Baptist church Saturday and Sunday, by the pastor, with four additions, three by experience and one by relation.

The Mission Society, of Hardin Grove, and Ann Hamilton, of Cloverport, spent several days last week with Miss Belle McCann, at the "Midway Hotel."

Mr. William Hanks, who was nearing 90 years of age, died the 10th, at the home of his son, W. R. Hanks, and was buried here the following day. Mr. Hanks was a moral, upright man, and highly esteemed by all who knew him. A consistent Christian and respected citizen, who will be missed.

FORDSVILLE.

Mr. Chas. Reynolds is on the sick list.

Mr. S. F. Roby went to Hartford Friday evening.

Miss Edna Bean is visiting relatives at Hines' Mill.

Mrs. Dr. W. W. W. is visiting relatives at Rochester, Ky.

Mr. Sam McAdams, of Hawesville, was in town Sunday.

Mrs. and Mrs. J. L. Davidson spent Sunday near Whitesville.

Miss Mattie Bean, who has been ill for some time, is out again.

Miss Ida Baird, of Lodi, Ind., is visiting her brother, C. C. Baird.

Miss Manie Delavan, of Cloverport, is visiting Miss Jessie Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Baird have returned from a visit to Lodi, Indiana.

Misses Mabel and Flora Haynes, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Maddox.

Mr. Will Jones and family will move into their new house in a few days.

Miss May Dempster and Miss Robinson, of Glasgow, visited Mrs. Taylor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Wilson have returned from a short honeymoon spent in Louisville and Dayton Springs.

They will have a party Sunday.

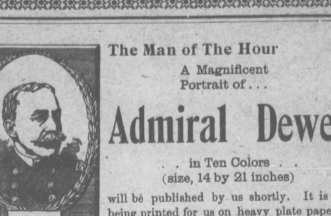
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